



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kazuhiro MASUDA

Group Art Unit: 2826

Application No.: 10/799,743

Examiner: T. DICKEY

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Docket No.: 119096

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, CIRCUIT BOARD, AND ELECTRONIC
INSTRUMENT SUITABLE FOR STACKING AND HAVING A THROUGH HOLE

SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant appreciates the courtesies shown to Applicant's representative by Examiner Dickey in the November 15, 2006 personal interview. Applicant's separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

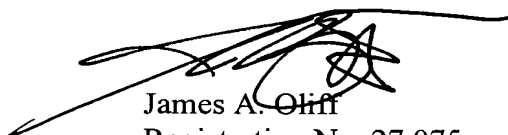
Applicant's representative began the interview by discussing the features recited in claim 1, as amended in Applicant's October 24, 2006 Amendment. Applicant's representative referenced the first, second and third through-holes and the first and second portion of the conductive member, recited in claim 1. Applicant's representative discussed the second through-hole being larger than the first through-hole and the third through-hole being larger than the first through-hole. Applicant's representative also discussed the second portion of the conductive member having a larger diameter than the first portion of the conductive member. Figures 1 and 6 were discussed with regard to these features.

Applicant's representative then discussed U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0025587 to Wada. Applicant's representative asserted that Wada did not teach, nor could it reasonably be considered to have suggested, the previously discussed combination of features recited in claim 1.

In response to these arguments the Examiner agreed that claim 1 is not anticipated, nor rendered obvious, by Wada.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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